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AN EDITORIAL ON EDITORIALS

"I want you to write an editorial about that," people often say to an editor. To that belongs us around to the question of the selection of subject matter for an editorial.

How is it done? The reader has a right to know.

The first criterion is that the editor have a basic, general knowledge in the various fields of news and public life—about the city and the city government, the county and county government, the state and state government, the nation and the federal government in Washington, and about the world and various foreign governments and bodies.

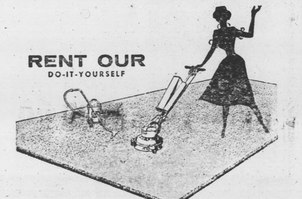
Sometimes newspapers have special pets or areas of crusading. They might go all-out in one category and neglect the other. But, fortunately, most newspapers attempt to offer the reader a balanced editorial treatment of the issues.

Now, the reader should keep in mind the fact that he is not supposed to agree with everything he reads in the editorials. He may indeed agree with all of it, but if he agrees with all of it he may not be thinking for himself. The object of editorials is not to gain agreement from readers but to provoke thought on the important issues of the day and provide a reasonably intelligent analysis and opinion.

The importance of analysis is often overlooked, both by readers and some editors. The editor, whose profession is keeping up with the news, and the merits of the issues, and has done this for years, probably knows more about his subject than the average reader, — especially since he is selecting the subjects.

Any editor can build up a pretty good case on one side of the issue, omit the merits of the other side, and pose as the greatest genius since time began, and following this approach (an appeal for esteem and reputation and popularity) he can convince many readers that he is a strong editor, a far-seeing one and so on and so on.

Practically, all major controversies have two sides. An editor should attempt to honestly present the merits on each and then offer a balanced and careful opinion. Even in doing this he will sometimes err, but the consequences of his errors are small compared to the consequences of overbuilding one side of the question, while refusing to present the other side. We believe that most editors are sincere in the performance of their duties.



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The general public is cordially invited to attend the tenth annual Men's program at the Galilee Baptist Church, on Sunday, May 20, 1962 at 7:30 P. M. The Mount Zion Baptist of Redhouse, Virginia will be the special guest. The pastor of Mt. Zion, Rev. H. R. G. Venable will be the guest speaker. Music will be rendered by the Mount Zion Church choir and the gospel chorus of the Scots Zion Baptist Church of Madison Heights, Va.

Impressive Mothers Day services were held at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church on Mothers Day. The pastor delivered a special sermon from the subject: "Christian Motherhood". The church choir rendered music. A large number of visters attended the service.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows and the Household of Ruth held their annual Thanksgiving service last Sunday at the Jordan Baptist Church at 3 P. M. The district Deputy Mr. Pinn of Lynchburg was in charge of the program and served as master of ceremony. Special music was rendered by the Jordan Baptist Church choir under the direction of Mrs. Mattie West. The program consisted of three reners on; Love, Truth and Friendship.

The annual Mothers Day program sponsored by the Mount Airy Baptist Church choir was a great sucess. The choir sponsored two services. The 11:30 service was a special sermon by the Rev. Mr. Johnson of Lynchburg, Va. The 7:30 service was a special choir festival. Mrs. Pinkey Humbles served as mistress of ceremony and Mrs. Percy Johnson conducted the devotions. The welcome address was given by Mrs. Odessa Booker. Presentations were made at the close of the program by the president, Mr. Al Walker Johnson. Mrs. Adeline Fulton was presented a gift as the oldest mother present. Mrs. Fulton is 91 years old. She is a member of the Peaceful Grove Baptist Church of Concord, Va. Mrs. Hulder Johnson was the oldest mother of the Mount Airy Church and received a beautiful gift. Mrs. Rubie Daye was honored with an honorary membership certificate to the Mount Airy choir as having been a member for over forty years. Remarks and the benediction were given by the Rev. R. Q. Lawing. A total of $202.00 was reported for the entire services.

All members and friends are invited to attend the regular preaching services at the Galilee Baptist Church on this Sunday June 20 at 11:30 A. M. Plans for the annual August rally will be presented.

The general public is cordially invited to attend the ordination service of the brother Johnie Paige to the gospel ministry at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday evening May 20 at 3 P. M. Pastors of local churches have been invited to make up the council. Music will be furnished by the local Mount Shiloh choir.

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Thur. May 24th.

Hot dog on roll with dra slaw and Sauerkraut, B peas, Cherry roll, ½ pt.

Fri. May 25th.

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Friday night the supper guests ... in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey were Mr. Richard Carson and Sylvia, Mrs. Peggy Harvey and T. C., III, Sandra and Don. They were celebrating Mrs. T. C. Harvey's birthday.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey were Mr. L. H. Watson, Mr. Sonny Watson and Stinn and Jewel and Sylvia Carson, Mrs. Peggy Harvey and Don and T. C. III, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harvey and Debbie and Becky and Mr. an Mrs. Richard Carson.

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We were thankful of the nice rain it was badly needed.

Mother's Day passed off very nice there were many happy homecomings and many eat ones too.

Hixburg

There was a good turnout at Walker's Presbyterian Church at Hixburg on Sunday morning at the 9:45 service.

Mrs. Martha Stimpson, wife of the pastor sang "The Song of Ruth" She has a lovely coloratura soprano voice, and produced beautiful flowing tones without any apparent effort.

The mother's day sermon about Ruth and Naomi brought out the remarks, "The world of tommorrow is being changed by the motherhood of today."

The Rev. Douglas Oldenburg, pastor of the now Convenant Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg, was guest speaker when the Ladies of Walker's Presbyterian Church met in the home of Mrs. E. A. Covington on Wednesday evening.

The Lynchburg Church was organized in September, Mr. Oldenburg spoke about church extension, and told of the problems and joys of establishing a new work.

Pvt. Lester Goin of Fort Jackson, S. C., who is having a 14 day vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Goin, will leave on Thursday, May 17, for Fort Dix, N. J., a shipping center. He doesn't know where he will be sent.

Mr. Eugene Sears, who was taken to Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg on Wednesday two weeks ago, was brought home on Monday. He is slowly improving.

John David Hix celebrated his fifth birthday on Friday, May 11 with a party at his home.

Guests included: Gary Goin, Matt Lair, Jamsy Kay and Kit Carson; Beverly Coleman, Vicki and Lynn Glover, Jane, Danny and Cynthia Hix, Janet and Tom Hix.

Also present were Mrs. John Goin Mrs. Patrick Lair, Mrs. Malcolm Coleman, Mrs. Walter Carson, Mrs. William Hix and Mrs. R. H. Oliver.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. John Hix assisted by the mothers.

MRS. BRIGHTWELL'S 4-H CLUB

On Thursday, May 10, 1962, Mrs. Brightwell's 4-H Club met. The president called the meeting to order. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Smith brought a visitor, Mr. Parker, who judged our insects. Diana Dowdy, Phillip Inge, Randy Williams, Chuckie Short, and Barbara Maxwell got a blue ribbon.
—Reporter, Martha Williams

Dumb Luck

How did the fool and his money ever get together in the first place?

GREEN THUMB FOLKS SHOULD BE BUSY NOW

May is the month for the green thumb folks to get busy, says F. H. Scott, horticulturist at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Scott says to sow seed of lima beans, melons, squashes, cucumbers, blackeye peas, and other warm-season crops this month. Tomatoes, peppers and eggplants can be set now. To prolong the harvest season, some gardeners make two plantings of sweet corn, snap beans, carrots, and radishes.

Space plants properly for best results, says Scott. Vegetable seed are often planted thick to obtain a good stand. Later they must be thinned by leaving the stronger plants at the recommended distances in the row.

Radishes should be 1 to 2 inches apart; carrots, beets, and blackeye peas, 3 inches; snap beans, 4 inches. lima beans and sweet corn, 10 inches; and okra, 18 inches.

Onions should be planted 3 to 4 inches apart, or closer if immature bushs are to be used as 'spring onions.' Sweet potato plants should be 12 inches apart, pepper plants 18 inches, and eggplants 30 inches apart.

Tomatoes allowed to run on the ground should be in rows 5 ft. apart. Plants should be 18 inches apart in the row. This spacing usually produces more fruit per square foot, but less fruit per vine, says Scott.

Tomatoes supported by stands, trellises, or other means are set 2 feet apart in rows 3 feet apart. If space is limited, try setting these plants 18 inches from one another in the row.

More information on spacing, depth of planting, and variety recommendations is found in VPI Circular 639, "Vegetable Gardening in Virginia," which may be obtained from county agents.

WEEVILS CONTROLLED IN FALL-TREATED FIELDS

Alfalfa fields which received the recommended dose of heptachlor last fall apparently are virtually free of the troublesome weevil.

But, reports Dr. J. O. Rowell, entomologist at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, fields not treated last fall (mostly in the counties recently invaded by the weevil) are having trouble. Many farmers using the malathion and methoxychlor sprays (their only recourse now) are apparently getting good control. The entomologist again stress the warning not to use heptachlor in any form on alfalfa this spring.

DROP IN EGG CONSUMPTION TO HALT THIS YEAR, USDA SAYS

Egg-eaters will likely eat as many eggs this year as they did last year, Poultry specialists at VPI report that the U. S. Department of Agriculture has forecast that 1962 will bring a halt to a 10-year drop in per capita consumption of eggs.

There are several reason for the drop during the last decade. People are eating smaller breakfasts. Cereals are being given the "big sell". Fewer eggs are being used in home baking. More people are living in the cities where they have a wider selection of food items. Fewer people are raising backyard flocks and consequently eat fewer eggs.

However, USDA predicts that the 1962 egg production will rise in proportion to the population, and per capita consumption will at least equal that of last year.

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